

8324-2:JMD#412218



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re patent application of:)
Andreas MELZER, et al.) Before the Examiner
Serial No. 10/540,786)) Lindsey M. Bachman
Filed September 21, 2005)) Group Art Unit 3734
VESSEL FILTER)) August 14, 2006

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being mailed via First Class Mail to the United States Patent and Trademark Office

on

August 14, 2006

(Date of Deposit)

James M. Durlacher

Name of Registered Representative

James M. Durlacher

Signature

August 14, 2006

Date of Signature

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 18, 2006, please enter the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified patent application.

A one month extension of time is being requested with a separate document filed concurrently herewith. Please provide any additional extensions of time which are required and charge any additional fees which may be due or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 23-3030.